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## It's a tale of four businesses united as one for new downtown establishment BLDG

By Lauren Graham  
Reporter

BLDG, a new store that opened at 133 E. Wooster St. in downtown Bowling Green, is a unique shop that brings four different concepts and unites them to form one company.

The store, which is located three doors down from KamiKaze's, stands for Beats, Lounge, Designs and Gear.

The first division of the company — the clothing store, Nyamari Designs — is easily recognizable while walking down the sidewalks of the downtown area, owner Micah Nyamari said.

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"[We want to] let people know we are always open, building friendships and that anyone can stop by anytime to chill, hangout and talk."

Marcus Seville Simpson | BLDG co-owner

## A head start on the job game

Many University students realize the importance of working towards internships as a way to reach higher career goals

By Elizabeth Hartman  
Reporter

For university students, interning can meet more than a graduation requirement. It can springboard you into a permanent job.

A new nationwide survey from careerbuilder.com reveals that nearly 60 percent of hiring employers are expected to hire college interns for permanent positions. Bowling Green staff and students are not surprised at the importance of an internship.

Senior Seth Fried found this to be the case during his campus internship with the "Mid-American Review," a literary journal on campus. The creative writing department sent out an e-mail for the journal's

internship position and Fried applied. Though his Latin major and creative writing minor do not require an internship, he said he still found the experience to be helpful.

"There, I brought a lot of energy into my work and organized writing workshops and festivals," he said. Fried is now the "Mid-American Review's" assistant editor.

Dr. Robert Harr, chair of the University's medical technology program, feels internship experience is invaluable to employers too.

"The operations of a workplace are very different than the environment in college, and having been in that environment makes the adjustment smoother and faster," he

said, noting that many medical technology students' internships have turned into jobs.

Sophomore Sara McGuire must complete three internships before graduating with a degree in Visual Communication Technology, and has already started looking and found a few prospects. McGuire was told about a VCT internship through a friend.

"He learned a lot more of the technical side since he was trained for a specific job as opposed to a broad spectrum," she said.

While some students are looking for internship opportunities, some students are not

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### INTERNSHIP QUICK TIPS:

- Talk to family, friends, professors and past and present employers about what internships you are interested in. These individuals may have the connections you are looking for.

- Sign up for the Career Center's WorkNet, fill in information with what type of internship you are searching and you will receive e-mails on relevant internship and job opportunities.

- Go to Career Fairs. Even if the fair does not match your career interests, talking with employers gives you interviewing practice as well as deepens your network of people with interesting connections.

When other minors just don't cut it, students can create their own

By Andy Ouriel  
Reporter

Passionate for comic books, former student Marc Sumerak could not find any programs offered by the University to help him on his intended career path when it came to writing for comic books.

But by taking classes with bits and pieces of the knowledge he needed in order to write for the industry, a planned minor helped Sumerak launch his career as a writer for Marvel comics, where he now writes for popular characters including Spiderman, Wolverine and The Hulk.

A creative writing major, Sumerak could not decide on one specific minor, but he liked certain aspects from classes offering particular skills he would need in order to write for comics.

With the help of an advisor, Sumerak took advantage of applying to create a planned minor before his graduation in 2000.

"Creating my minor let me directly apply to my career path," Sumerak said in reference to picking particular classes aimed at becoming a comic book writer.

Sumerak's minor, which was titled "Publication in Media"

"Creating my minor let me directly apply to my career path."

Marc Sumerak | Comic book writer

included a mixture of classes of pop culture, folklore, technical writing, telecommunications and independent studies.

"It was a very helpful thing to cater toward my career path and my course of studies," he said.

The College of Arts and Sciences offers planned minors to students who share the same intentions and problems of finding a particular minor for them like Sumerak.

In the college, every planned minor must have a focus said Diana Carpenter, associate director of student services.

Throughout the course of the minor, the student must take at least 21 credit hours, and more than half of them must be taken at the 300 level or higher.

"[The planned minor] helps students pursue a career goal," Carpenter said. "We work with students. They might be in a

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## Pres. search committee opens up to community

By Michelle Bosserman  
Reporter



Jill Carr  
Dean of Students and Staff Rep. to the Presidential Search Committee

The task of selecting a new president for the University is a long, difficult process the presidential search committee has to make. But before continuing the search, community members were asked for their opinion.

Last night in the Wood County District Public Library, community members brought up issues like the deterioration of the city and student enrollment management in the meeting held by the committee. The presidential search committee invited members of the Bowling Green community to share their views and concerns regarding what characteristics and expectations the next president should possess.

Community member Genevieve Stang, former professor in the college of education, believes the new president must be fully aware of the history of the institution.

"History is a foundation," Stang said. "The next president needs to know how diverse the background is and build on that and go forward."

The search committee is made up of faculty, staff, students, community and trustee members chosen by category by the Board of Trustees. The committee was appointed in July, where they decided on the search firm Witt/Kieffer to help create the Institutional and Leadership Profile that informs presidential applicants about the University.

Staff Representative and Dean of Students Jill Carr expressed the purpose of the meeting as the very important need for community involvement. Their projected time line for hiring a new president is

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## BLDG

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According to Nyamari, the store houses exceptional clothing that cannot be found elsewhere in the area, and pieces are made by international designers from England, Italy, Asia, Europe and Africa.

Clothes range from sizes small to four extra large, and include tops, dresses, women's shoes, rare sneakers, tees, jeans, handbags, jewelry, watches and skate-board decals.

New shipments arrive every two weeks, guaranteeing new and exciting clothes available for purchase twice a month, Nyamari said.

Custom designs are also available, with clothes ranging in price from \$2 to about \$69.

However, not everything sold in the store goes back into Nyamari Designs.

Instead, a certain percentage of the profits goes towards organizations such as Save Orphans by Designs and Active Christians Today.

Another division of the company — The Loft — is available for rent to the public on the upper level of the building. There is a VIP section, and is able to comfortably hold around 350 individuals.

To rent the space, there is a variety of options to pay, and there is no specific reason needed, whether it is for a private party, general meeting, or a small concert.

Yet another aspect of BLDG is the Music Lovers Headquarters, a recording studio located within the building.

According to owner Will "DUB" Wicks, no appointments are necessary for students interested in recording a CD, which costs \$20 an hour for students, and \$40 an hour for the public. For less than an hour, it is 35 cents per minute.

"All services are discounted for students, they receive 50 percent off all services," Wicks said. "This is great for independent artists."

After recording, Wicks will mix-down tracks, master it and give a copy of the initial CD to whoever recorded it. After about three days, the recorder will receive a master radio-ready CD.

Other services provided include radio and commercial ads, CD duplication, studio training, artist counseling, copyright registration and bar-code acquisition.

The fourth division of the company is I'm So Mars, a creative design company owned by Marcus Seville Simpson.

He designs many things for campus organizations and local organizations, but says his availability is not limited to these.

Simpson will also do "custom illustrations, Web design and hosting, posters, flyers, business cards, logo and identity branding, CD covers and tattoo designs."

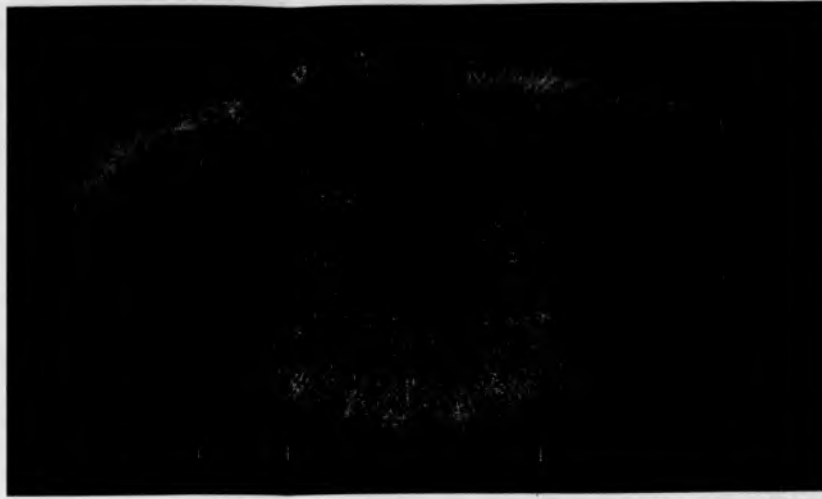
And though the company has plans to expand after a year to the Detroit area, the Bowling Green area was chosen as a beginning place to open the store because the owners felt comfortable with the city.

"We are pretty familiar with the area," Simpson said.

With students in walking distance of the company, the guys are striving to be "a center for student networking," Simpson said. "Emphasis on the idea that friends and classmates have talents different from yours can form a group company to capitalize on."

Their motto is "BLDG Friendships," to symbolize the friendship they share.

"[We want to] let people know we are always open, building friendships, and that anyone can stop by anytime to chill, hang out, and talk," Simpson said.



NASA PHOTO

**A BIT DUSTY:** In this image released by NASA, a dust ring surrounds the star Fomalhaut, that resides at the center of the image, and not visible to the human eye in this image.

## NASA takes first photos of planets outside of solar system

By Seth Borenstein  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Earth seems to have its first fuzzy photos of alien planets outside our solar system, images captured by two teams of astronomers.

The pictures show four likely planets that appear as specks of white, nearly indecipherable except to the most eagle-eyed experts. All are trillions of miles away — three of them orbiting the same star, and the fourth circling a different star.

None of the four giant gaseous planets are remotely habitable or remotely like Earth. But they raise the possibility of others more hospitable.

It's only a matter of time before "we get a dot that's blue and Earthlike," said astronomer Bruce Macintosh of the Lawrence Livermore National Lab. He led one of the two teams of photographers.

"It is a step on that road to understand if there are other planets like Earth and potentially life out there," he said.

Macintosh's team used two ground-based telescopes, while the second team relied on photos from the 18-year-old Hubble Space Telescope to gather images of the exoplanets — planets that don't circle our sun. The research from both teams was published in Thursday's online edition of the journal Science.

In the past 13 years, scientists have discovered more than 300 planets outside our solar system, but they have done so indirectly, by measuring changes in gravity, speed or light around stars.

NASA's space sciences chief Ed Weiler said the actual photos are important. He compared it to a hunt for elusive elephants: "For years we've been hearing the elephants, finding the tracks, seeing the trees knocked down by them, but we've never been able to snap a picture. Now we have a picture."

In a news conference yesterday, Weiler said this fulfills the last of the major goals that NASA had for the Hubble telescope before it launched in 1990: "This is an 18-year dream come true."

There are disputes about whether these are the first exoplanet photos. Others have made earlier claims, but those pictures haven't been confirmed as planets or universally accepted yet.

member Russ Veitch expressed his concern for the University increasing enrollment but not offering increased on-campus housing.

"The new president will be confronted with the dilemma of getting more students in or building more housing," Veitch said. "If the University doesn't want to be in the middle of a 'community slum' its students helped create, they should do something about it."

Other challenges the president will face as expressed by community members included the knowledge of the changes in the state system, the condition of University facilities and the improved quality of students.

"The new president needs to be made aware of the state of infrastructure on campus," Veitch said, including campus buildings that need to be installed with up-to-date technology and energy.

Although the search commit-

tee is looking for a new president, some members from the community expressed their content for the current interim President Carol Cartwright.

"It would be phenomenal if [Cartwright] could stay another six months to one year," Keller said. "She could take care of issues that are out there and deal with them head on."

The next step for the committee is to accumulate applicant hopefuls and narrow down possibilities. They hope to bring applicants to campus for interviews in March and April, Carr said. Once the president is decided, the decision will be made public, she added.

Although several concerns about the University were voiced, many community members said it was because they cared for it and their community.

"I have high expectations and I'm hard on [the University] because I do love it," Veitch said.

being hired, and is also an easy way to test whether a certain type of work is a good fit.

"It's best to start early because you would rather have the widest job option pool. Start early or wait and take what's left," Kroll said.

Students with little time to spare, searching for internships have options.

Kroll recommends that students talk to friends, family, professors and past and present employers about what internships they are looking for. These individuals may have connections to employ-

ers, she said. Signing up for the Career Center's WorkNet, which notifies students of internship availabilities, is also another tip Kroll suggested for students.

Kroll also said students should take advantage of career fairs and talk to employers, regardless of whether or not they represent a student's interests.

Taking advantage of all options enables students to gain experience and create more professional connections outside internship opportunities.

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July 1, 2009, she said.

"Once we start looking and interviewing people, the search will be confidential," Carr said.

Barbara Keller, a retired University employee who worked in the Division of Student Affairs, has been through the presidential selection process before. After working for the University, she became the dean of students at Weber State University in Utah.

"The process was exactly like this — closed after focus groups," Keller said. "It opens again after the announcement of the president and if we are to move forward, I think it's important to have continued community involvement."

A common issue brought up by the community members was the deterioration of the city by the University students.

Retired University faculty

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sure what they are looking for.

Freshman Ashley Smith, an undecided major, has not given much thought into locating an internship. She explained her lack of time and undecided major have caused her not to be proactive.

JoAnn Kroll, executive director of the University's Career Center, explained that an early internship gives students a greater advantage at



BEN LOHMAN | THE BG NEWS

**A COMBINATION OF THINGS:** BLDG, a new business in downtown Bowling Green, combines elements of four different other businesses into one.

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WEDNESDAY, NOV. 12

10:23 A.M.

Complainant reported \$45 in cash was stolen from his wallet after he left the wallet on top of a gas station pump at Murphy Gas Station on Main Street.

3:06 P.M.

Complainants reported their trash cans were stolen from their residence on North Prospect Street sometime between Monday morning and Monday night.

7:55 P.M.

Robert Tatum, 22, of Bowling Green, was arrested for assault after he struck his ex-girlfriend in the face.

THURSDAY, NOV. 13

12:56 A.M.

David Moody III, 50, of Bowling Green, was cited for operating a vehicle under the influence after he was witnessed driving on the sidewalk.

1:08 A.M.

Amanda Peck, 21, of Bowling Green, was cited for operating a vehicle under the influence.

2:24 A.M.

Christine Ritter, 48, of Carey, Ohio, was cited for operating a vehicle under the influence.

**ONLINE:** Go to [bgnews.com](http://bgnews.com) for the complete blotter list.

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minor they don't like and then we sit down with a student and ask what do you want to get [out of this minor]."

The minor has to have a specific focus and needs to be goal oriented, Carpenter said.

Current student Will Scott is also taking advantage of the planned minor program.

A public relations major, Scott had trouble finding a minor he could use to help his personal career goals.

Scott, with help from his advisor, came up with the minor title, "Entertainment Marketing" which is based off of classes like pop culture, journalism and marketing.

Scott's intended career is to be a publicist for an entertainment company and feels through a planned minor, his goal can be achieved.

"The University doesn't offer anything that interested me in my career choice, and so I feel that with this minor, I can work through my career choice better with the classes I choose," Scott said.

Scott said he is glad the University offers planned minors because not everyone can fit into minors available.

"If the University didn't offer this, I would be lost," Scott said. "I wouldn't be able to structure my own minor."

According to Sumerak, students with goals and paths who know what they would like to do are ideal candidates for picking a planned minor.

"It's a situation of if you know where you want to go with your career, and have specific ideas in mind, creating your minor gives you the ability to take a wide array of classes [and] helps apply to the path of your minor," he said.

Students interested in applying for a planned minor, can make an appointment with the College of Arts and Sciences. Please contact the college located on the second floor of the Administration Building or call 419-372-2015.

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## CHRISTMAS ALREADY?



**SHOPPING FOR GIFTS:** Lindsey Lindenbaum, a Communication Disorders major, browses the holiday displays in The Peregrine shop in the Union. "It's kind of overwhelming to have Christmas stuff out this early, but I enjoy it," Lindenbaum said.

## Collapsed VCU balcony raises student awareness

By Catherine MacDonald  
U-Wire

Students injured when a balcony collapsed this past Friday at Virginia Commonwealth University are recovering, some from major injuries, despite reports injuries were only minor. The incident has some questioning whether students can judge off-campus housing safety for themselves.

According to Lt. Michael Oprandy, Richmond Fire Department's public information officer, out of the 20 people transported from the 1300 block of West Cary Street to the hospital, about six of them had serious injuries. Two of them had life-threatening injuries.

"The rest were ... what we call 'walking wounded,'" Oprandy said. "People who were able to get up on their own and move away from the affected area — strains and sprains and cuts and scratches — stuff like that."

Oprandy said the myriad injuries included leg, arm, clavicle and ankle fractures.

"There's also the possibility that the patients have internal injuries too," Oprandy said. "With a fall from that height, we have to assume that there might be some injuries on the inside that we can't

**"Basically, we didn't think it would happen. People joked about it."**

Kate Purnell | Victim

see from the outside."

Lydia Teffera, a mass communications major and political science minor, said doctors were concerned about potential internal injuries she might have suffered. She was on the deck when it fell, and was rushed to the hospital because she could not breathe.

"(Doctors) found that air had gotten out of my lungs and gotten between them, so they had to hold me overnight again because that can cause a collapsed lung," Teffera said.

Kate Purnell, a pre-nursing major, fractured two vertebrae in her neck when the balcony collapsed. She said she will have to wear a neck brace for several months.

"Basically, we didn't think it would happen," Purnell said. "People joked about it. They were like, 'Oh, this is going to fall,' but we didn't think it actually would. Some people were trying to get

people to go the balcony next door, but it was too late."

Purnell's roommate, Vanna Vagorodnaya, a mass communications major, fractured her knee in the accident.

"I thought it would be fine, because it was a ... pretty big balcony," Vagorodnaya said. "I mean we joked about it, but we really didn't think it would collapse. It looked stable."

Off Campus Student Services Supervisor Martha Harper said students should be more aware of their surroundings in order to prevent accidents like the deck collapse.

"Students are a special crowd that should really look at things, and they tend not to, (such as) rotten wood, a soft porch," Harper said. "Maybe (the balcony) was visibly unsound, but maybe when you're only 19 or 20 years old, you don't know what visibly unsound looks like."

Harper said she hopes the collapse will boost student awareness about the safety of their own apartments.

"This is such a horrible, unfortunate accident," Harper said. "If it gets students aware that the world is not necessarily taking care of them, that they need to look for what's wrong ... maybe that's a side benefit."

## GET A LIFE

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Some events taken from events.bgu.edu

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

**Winter Wheat Festival**

308 Union

11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**Relay for Life Concert Ticket Sales**

118 Union

1:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

**NAUC Speakers Fourum**

Lenhart Grand Ballroom

5 - 8 p.m.

**NAUC Green Room**

202A Union

6 - 8 p.m.

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## Iowa professor commits suicide; univ. officials offer counseling

By Regina Zilbermintz  
U-Wire

A University of Iowa professor accused of sexual harassment apparently committed suicide Wednesday afternoon, and university officials are saying they offer counseling to try to avoid such incidents.

Iowa City police records show authorities responded to Mark Weiger's home at 3:41 p.m., where they found a male in a vehicle apparently dead. He was stiff and cold to the touch, according to police reports.

Iowa City police Sgt. Troy Kelsay said he couldn't comment on the incident Wednesday evening.

Last week, a former UI graduate student filed a federal lawsuit against Weiger, accusing him of sexually harassing her on a daily basis during the 2006-07 school year. Melissa Rose Walding Milligan of West Lafayette, Ohio, contends in the lawsuit Weiger made derogatory sexual comments to her.

Milligan couldn't be reached for comment Wednesday night.

Weiger's apparent suicide is the second such incident this fall. Former UI political-science Professor Arthur Miller fatally shot himself with a rifle at Hickory Hill Park after he was accused of accepting sexual favors in exchange for higher grades.

Weiger's two-story house was dark Wednesday night, with no cars parked in the driveway — a different scene from earlier in the afternoon, when squad cars and ambulances crowded the street, neighbors said.

**"It's so bizarre, because you talk to people, and you never know ..."**

Matthew Olson | Neighbor

Matthew Olson, a neighbor of Weiger for nearly four years, said he never expected Weiger to commit suicide.

"It's so bizarre, because you talk to people, and you never know they're clearly having this struggle inside," he said. "With Mark, I never would've known."

Olson said he and Weiger would chat about family, traveling and music theories.

"I never heard anything negative," Olson said. "He was always a positive and friendly guy."

UI Human Resources officials have begun counseling members of the UI School of Music, UI spokesman Steve Parrott said.

They met Wednesday night with faculty, staff and students to discuss the incident and formulate a plan to help people cope. These meetings will continue, Parrott said.

"Other than that, we would hope that people in the university community would do their best to reach out to express sympathy and offer support," Parrott said. "It's been a tough year for us."

Arthur Rowe, a friend and former UI colleague of Weiger's, said sexual-harassment lawsuits frequently result from false accusations. He said such allegations — especially if it reaches the press — "can be devastating

to people."

Rowe said a similar suit was brought against another one of his former colleagues, and the man nearly left the university. Weiger may have felt similarly, Rowe speculated.

"He has no family," Rowe said. "I don't know how much support he had."

Although it's too soon to say what effect this specific incident will have on university policy, Parrott said the current sexual-assault procedures will soon change. Such policies have come under much public scrutiny this semester after a former UI student-athlete alleged two former football players sexually assaulted her in Hillcrest.

Parrott said faculty accused of misconduct can go to the Office of the Ombudsperson and have confidential conversations to determine how to protect their reputation and resolve the problem.

Additionally, the university offers separate counseling services for both faculty and students when these incidents occur, he said.

Karla Miller, the director of the Rape-Victim Advocacy Program, declined to comment specifically about Weiger, but she said after such apparent suicides, it could emotionally affect the victim who reported the harassment.

"It would be only natural to wonder why an individual would do this," she said. "Unfortunately, what can happen is the response that some people make is to blame the victims, and that's inappropriate."

"The victims are never to blame."



**ODE TO A PROFESSOR:** Andrew Moskos surprises his father, Professor Charles Moskos, during the Intro to Sociology class.

## Memorial to honor popular Northwestern professor

By Christina Salter  
U-Wire

There are the dreaded classes that students regret waking up for. Then there are the legendary classes that students regret missing.

For many years, Prof. Charles Moskos' Introduction to Sociology class was known as a "must-take" class at Northwestern. The 600-person class consistently packed Ryan Auditorium three days a week every Fall Quarter.

"I feel like Prof. Moskos is in the canon of the professors you have to take a class with," said communication sophomore Julia Weed, who took Moskos' last Intro to Sociology class in Fall 2007.

Moskos died on May 31 at age 74 after a long battle with prostate cancer. A tribute will be held today at 4 p.m. in Alice Millar Chapel, where family, friends and colleagues will share memories of the popular professor and nationally-renowned military sociologist.

Moskos began teaching at NU in 1966 and retired in

2003. He was well-known as the author of President Bill Clinton's controversial "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy concerning gays in the military. Moskos continued to teach two classes each Fall Quarter when his health permitted.

His death left many wondering what would happen to the well-known lecture.

"Those are incredibly big shoes to fill," said Prof. Karrie Snyder, who found out last spring that she would teach the Fall 2008 class.

Snyder, Weinberg '94, took Moskos' Intro to Sociology class in the early 1990s. She remembered his conversational lectures and said it was one of her favorite sociology classes. Snyder, who began teaching at NU last year, said she never had the chance to get to know Moskos professionally but heard a lot about his legacy.

"If it's a tenth as entertaining and interesting as his class, I would be happy," she said.

"It's still a good class," said Weinberg sophomore Lauren Maddox. "I just think it's hard for (Snyder) to live up to him."

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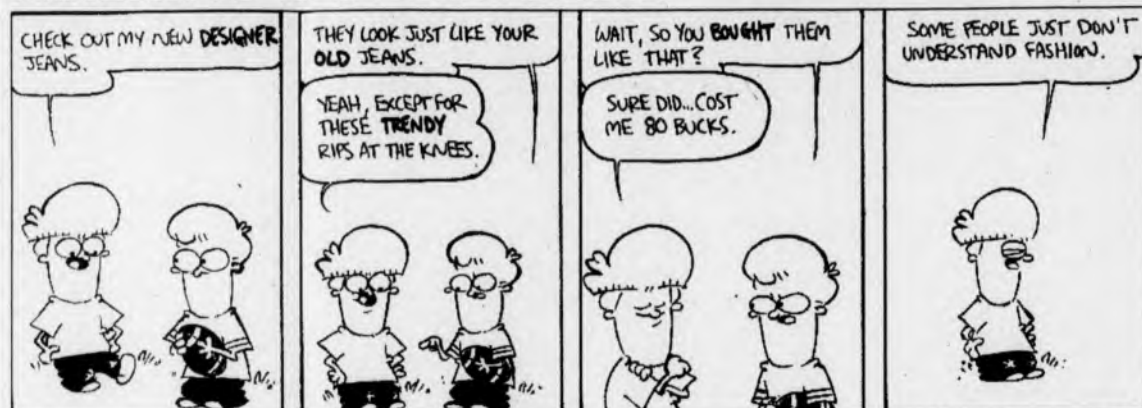
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And to end, I'd like to dispel some myths. Venice doesn't have to break the bank. Stay in the hostel, ride the night train, buy the Museum Pass, bring a meal and snacks with you, avoid restaurants with tourist menus, eat pizza (it's the cheapest food option aside from gelato) and buy a multi-use vaporetto pass. Excluding the gelato and shopping, in three days I spent under 200 Euros. And in November, the canals don't smell and the other tourists don't smell too much, either.

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Then we headed to Murano, a 45-minute boat ride from the main Venetian islands for our glass experiences.

We visited the glass museum first with a museum pass that cost only 12 Euros for students. We went to six museums with the pass, saving at least as much money as we spent on the one ticket.

I'd recommend a visit to Murano for anyone. We enjoyed it so much we spent all of Sunday there, too.

There are numerous glass studios open to the public — some for a small fee — where you can watch the artists produce some small, relatively easy pieces. I was

the pieces to a project that was his own. Diego and two helpers were so in tune with each other they hardly spoke. Other workers from the cold shop, which is where the glass is worked on after the hot pieces have properly cooled, would pass through the hot shop and stop to acknowledge our presence. And then Dino came out to meet us.

Watching Diego and the others work together was so amazing. I watched them perform so many techniques I'd never seen before.

And then, once the day's work was done, Diego gave us a tour of the cold shop and the show room. Seeing pieces in various stages of completion was very interesting, but seeing a room full of 50 or more completed

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**CELEBRATION:** In this Nov. 4, 2008 file photo, President-elect Barack Obama, left, his wife Michelle Obama, right, and two daughters, Malia, and Sasha, center left, wave to the crowd at the election night rally in Chicago.

## Inauguration expected to have large, historic turn-out

By Brett Zongker  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President-elect Barack Obama's inauguration is expected to draw 1 million-plus to the capital, and already some lawmakers have stopped taking ticket requests and hotels have booked up.

Some people are bartering on Craigslist for places to stay for the Jan. 20 ceremony when the Illinois senator takes the oath of office. They are offering cash or even help with dishes for residents willing to open up their homes.

The National Park Service, which is planning for an inaugural crowd of at least 1 million, will clear more viewing space along the Pennsylvania Avenue parade route. Jumbo TV screens will line the National Mall so people can watch the inauguration and parade, park service spokesman David Barna said yesterday.

The District of Columbia's delegate, Eleanor Holmes Norton, is urging planners to use arenas and stadiums to help with overflow crowds wanting to view the ceremonies on big-screen TVs. She is also urging churches to hold viewing parties.

"You can't judge by past inaugurations. It's going to break all the records," Norton said. "They're going to come with or without tickets. ... It's each man and woman for himself."

The city's police chief, Cathy Lanier, said organizers

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brought in an additional 3,000 officers from forces around the country to help with the last inauguration. This time, the request probably will be for about 4,000 officers.

Because of a lawsuit, people should have more standing room along the crowded parade route. War protesters sued after President George W. Bush's last inauguration, forcing the government to open up more free public viewing space between the Capitol and White House.

U.S. District Judge Paul Friedman ruled in March that the park service violated its own rules by giving preferential treatment in ticketing for bleacher seats along the parade route for supporters of the government over its critics. Friedman wrote the inauguration "is not a private event."

New rules to be issued Monday will lower the number of ticketed bleacher seats along the parade route from 20,000 seats to 8,700, leaving much more of the route open to people without tickets, Barna said.

Seat tickets had sold for between \$15 and \$150 in 2005 to help pay for the inaugu-

ral parade. Details for the 2009 parade tickets have not been set because Obama's Presidential Inaugural Committee, which organizes the parade, is being formed.

There will also be designated "free speech" areas for protesters along the parade route, Barna said.

The inauguration has been designated a National Special Security Event, giving the U.S. Secret Service the lead in coordinating all law enforcement agencies to secure the event. There are 58 federal, state and local law enforcement agencies working together.

The largest crowd ever recorded on the National Mall was for President Lyndon B. Johnson's 1965 inauguration. At the time, the park service estimated 1.2 million people descended on the area. In 1981, President Ronald Reagan's inauguration drew about 500,000 people, and President Bill Clinton's 1993 inauguration drew about 800,000 people, according to park service estimates.

Of course, the crowds can always thin out. Ronald Reagan's second swearing-in ceremony had to be moved indoors, and the parade was canceled when the temperature dropped below 10 degrees (with a wind chill at 10 degrees to 20 degrees below zero.) John F. Kennedy's inauguration in 1961 came with a blanket of snow; still, 1 million people turned out.

## Nebraska officials to change safe haven law, teenagers among the most abandoned

By Nate Jenkins  
The Associated Press

LINCOLN, Neb. — The mother was running out of more than patience when she abandoned her 18-year-old daughter at a hospital over the weekend under Nebraska's safe-haven law.

She was also running out of time: She knew that state lawmakers would soon meet in a special session to amend the ill-fated law so that it would apply to newborns only.

"Where am I going to get help if they change the law?" said the mother, who lives in Lincoln and asked to not be identified by name to protect her adopted child.

To the state's surprise and embarrassment, more than half of the 31 children legally abandoned under the safe-haven law since it took effect in mid-July have been teenagers.

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But state officials may have inadvertently made things worse with their hesitant response to the problem: The number of drop-offs has almost tripled to about three a week since Gov. Dave Heineman announced on Oct. 29 that lawmakers would rewrite the law.

With legislators set to convene today, weary parents like the Lincoln mother have been racing to drop off their children while they still can.

Yesterday, authorities searched for two teens — a boy and girl, ages 14 and 17 — who fled an Omaha hospital as their moth-

er tried to abandon them. The mother was trying to take them from the car to the emergency room when they took off.

Child welfare experts said the late deluge of drop-offs was probably inevitable. After all, they said, some date had to be picked to begin changing the law.

But some of them said lawmakers and the governor missed chances to change the law early because they underestimated the number of desperate families looking for help. Heineman called the special session only after a spate of five drop-offs in eight days.

Reluctance to pull senators away from their jobs and election campaigns, along with the estimated \$70,000 to \$80,000 cost of a special session, were among the reasons Heineman's office cited in holding off on calling a special session sooner.

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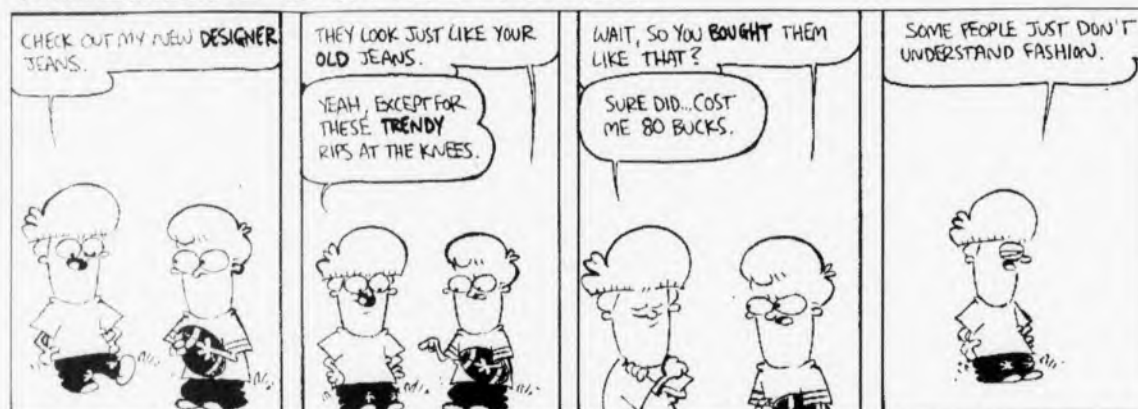
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We'd stay at Ostello Venezia again, as long as there isn't a public transportation strike planned for the time of the trip. (The day after we left there wasn't any transportation, which meant that travelers at the hostel were stuck on a residential island that doesn't have any of the big sights.)

And to end, I'd like to dispel some myths. Venice doesn't have to break the bank. Stay in the hostel, ride the night train, buy the Museum Pass, bring a meal and snacks with you, avoid restaurants with tourist menus, eat pizza (it's the cheapest food option aside from gelato) and buy a multi-use vaporetto pass. Excluding the gelato and shopping, in three days I spent under 200 Euros. And in November, the canals don't smell and the other tourists don't smell too much, either.

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**CELEBRATION:** In this Nov. 4, 2008 file photo, President-elect Barack Obama, left, his wife Michelle Obama, right, and two daughters, Malia and Sasha, center left, wave to the crowd at the election night rally in Chicago.

## Inauguration expected to have large, historic turn-out

By Brett Zongker  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President-elect Barack Obama's inauguration is expected to draw 1 million-plus to the capital, and already some lawmakers have stopped taking ticket requests and hotels have booked up.

Some people are bartering on Craigslist for places to stay for the Jan. 20 ceremony when the Illinois senator takes the oath of office. They are offering cash or even help with dishes for residents willing to open up their homes.

The National Park Service, which is planning for an inaugural crowd of at least 1 million, will clear more viewing space along the Pennsylvania Avenue parade route. Jumbo TV screens will line the National Mall so people can watch the inauguration and parade, park service spokesman David Barna said yesterday.

The District of Columbia's delegate, Eleanor Holmes Norton, is urging planners to use arenas and stadiums to help with overflow crowds wanting to view the ceremonies on big-screen TVs. She is also urging churches to hold viewing parties.

"You can't judge by past inaugurations. It's going to break all the records," Norton said. "They're going to come with or without tickets.... It's each man and woman for himself."

The city's police chief, Cathy Lanier, said organizers

**"It's going to break all the records. ... It's each man or woman for himself."**

*Eleanor Holmes Norton, D.C. Delegate*

brought in an additional 3,000 officers from forces around the country to help with the last inauguration. This time, the request probably will be for about 4,000 officers.

Because of a lawsuit, people should have more standing room along the crowded parade route. War protesters sued after President George W. Bush's last inauguration, forcing the government to open up more free public viewing space between the Capitol and White House.

U.S. District Judge Paul Friedman ruled in March that the park service violated its own rules by giving preferential treatment in ticketing for bleacher seats along the parade route for supporters of the government over its critics. Friedman wrote the inauguration "is not a private event."

New rules to be issued Monday will lower the number of ticketed bleacher seats along the parade route from 20,000 seats to 8,700, leaving much more of the route open to people without tickets, Barna said.

Seat tickets had sold for between \$15 and \$150 in 2005 to help pay for the inaugu-

ral parade. Details for the 2009 parade tickets have not been set because Obama's Presidential Inaugural Committee, which organizes the parade, is being formed.

There will also be designated "free speech" areas for protesters along the parade route, Barna said.

The inauguration has been designated a National Special Security Event, giving the U.S. Secret Service the lead in coordinating all law enforcement agencies to secure the event. There are 58 federal, state and local law enforcement agencies working together.

The largest crowd ever recorded on the National Mall was for President Lyndon B. Johnson's 1965 inauguration. At the time, the park service estimated 12 million people descended on the area. In 1981, President Ronald Reagan's inauguration drew about 500,000 people, and President Bill Clinton's 1993 inauguration drew about 800,000 people, according to park service estimates.

Of course, the crowd can always thin out. Ronald Reagan's second swearing-in ceremony had to be moved indoors, and the parade was canceled when the temperature dropped below 10 degrees (with a wind chill at 10 degrees to 20 degrees below zero.) John F. Kennedy's inauguration in 1961 came with a blanket of snow; still, 1 million people turned out.

## Nebraska officials to change safe haven law, teenagers among the most abandoned

By Nate Jenkins  
The Associated Press

LINCOLN, Neb. — The mother was running out of more than patience when she abandoned her 18-year-old daughter at a hospital over the weekend under Nebraska's safe-haven law.

She was also running out of time: She knew that state lawmakers would soon meet in a special session to amend the ill-fated law so that it would apply to newborns only.

"Where am I going to get help if they change the law?" said the mother, who lives in Lincoln and asked to not be identified by name to protect her adopted child.

To the state's surprise and embarrassment, more than half of the 31 children legally abandoned under the safe-haven law since it took effect in mid-July have been teenagers.

**"Where am I going to get help if they change the law?"**

*Unidentified Mother*

But state officials may have inadvertently made things worse with their hesitant response to the problem: The number of drop-offs has almost tripled to about three a week since Gov. Dave Heineman announced on Oct. 29 that lawmakers would rewrite the law.

With legislators set to convene today, weary parents like the Lincoln mother have been racing to drop off their children while they still can.

Yesterday, authorities searched for two teens — a boy and girl, ages 14 and 17 — who fled an Omaha hospital as their moth-

er tried to abandon them. The mother was trying to take them from the car to the emergency room when they took off.

Child welfare experts said the late deluge of drop-offs was probably inevitable. After all, they said, some date had to be picked to begin changing the law.

But some of them said lawmakers and the governor missed chances to change the law early because they underestimated the number of desperate families looking for help. Heineman called the special session only after a spate of five drop-offs in eight days.

Reluctance to pull senators away from their jobs and election campaigns, along with the estimated \$70,000 to \$80,000 cost of a special session, were among the reasons Heineman's office cited in holding off on calling a special session sooner.

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#### Howard's Benefit Concert

Tomorrow at 9 p.m. at Howard's Club H, bartender Charlie Tuna will host a concert to benefit children with muscular dystrophy. Come out and help the kids!



#### Sounds of the Stadium

Today at 8 p.m. in Kobacker Hall, the University's Falcon Marching Band will perform their annual "Sounds of the Stadium" concert, featuring half-time show selections from home football games.

### TOLEDO

#### Oliver!

This weekend at the Stranahan Theatre, see the musical based loosely on Charles Dickens' novel "Oliver Twist," about one boy's quest for love and belonging as he journeys from a ruthless orphanage to a group of pickpockets.



#### Art with a Heart

Tomorrow from 10 a.m. - 9 p.m. at the Trinity Episcopal Church, start shopping for the holidays with over 30 local vendors. A portion of every sale will benefit Emanuel Children's Home in Honduras.

### ELSEWHERE

#### Cleveland

This weekend at the International Exposition Center, attend the Fabulous Food Show featuring appearances from Food Network stars such as Michael Symon, Paula Deen and Guy Fieri. Other features include demonstrations, sampling and live music. Tickets are available at ticketmaster.com.

Make sure to check out bgnews.com for the theatre review of "Five by Ives," and the movie review of "Madagascar 2."

## THEY SAID IT

"I try to believe like I believed when I was five ... when your heart tells you everything you need to know."

—Lucy Liu

# Their hearts belong to soldiers

By Laura Lee Caracciolo  
Pulse Reporter

We all know there is a war going on in Iraq. We also know that it involves troops from our country, and what they go through on a day-to-day basis is both serious and dangerous.

However, what some of us don't know is how it feels to have a loved one overseas and the toll it can take on the ones left behind.

Some students at the University have boyfriends, friends and family members overseas and have to live one day at a time while worrying about what could happen to their loved ones.

Junior Katy Banyash's boyfriend, Eric Ensley, is a specialist and team leader of his truck and crew in Camp Ramadi which is located 60 miles west of Baghdad.

Ensley started his deployment training the first week of January and left for Iraq in March.

"He can tell me how things are going in general, but the details are very limited for security reasons," Banyash said. "Although sometimes I'm not sure if he is not allowed to tell me details or if he just doesn't want me to hear everything."

Banyash has been going through the struggles of missing an important person in her life. Not being able to share simple day-to-day thoughts with Ensley is difficult on her.

"It's hard doing things alone that I would normally do with him," Banyash said. "It's also hard not being able to reach him. I can't call him when I think of something to tell him or when I need to ask him something. I can e-mail him, but I never know when



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## Belting and butchering tunes makes for popular student pastime

By Matt Liasse  
Pulse Reporter

The songs "American Pie," "I Will Survive," "Love Shack," "Friends In Low Places," "With Arms Wide Open," "Hotel California," "Baby Got Back," "The Devil Went Down To Georgia" and "Total Eclipse of the Heart" has one thing in common; associated content. com have deemed them the worst karaoke songs ever.

Mix a microphone, a stage, a screen with lyrics, flat notes, a bar full of people and a few drinks, and it may be an equation for a disaster; but in fact, many students in BG tend to participate in just that in the many venues off campus hosting karaoke nights.

Many of the restaurants off campus designate one night for students ready to embarrass themselves at a hand in karaoke. Such restaurants as Grumpy Dave's, Buffalo Wild Wings, Campus Quarters, Nate And Wally's and Rev. Chico's have all opened the doors for students and surrounding residents to try their hand in some unrehearsed butchering of a song.

"It's hilarious and more entertaining to see our regulars and customers participate," said manager, Lauren Coble, who works at Campus Quarters, who used to host a karaoke night on Thursdays. She said about 80 percent of the participants would be college students and she saw many packed nights while working at the bar. Campus Quarters is in talks to bring karaoke night back for spring semester.

Many students have been open to creating nights full of excitement and hilarious stories to tell the next morning.

"Last year at Chico's, I was singing '... Baby One More Time' by Britney Spears and I had a

"It's hilarious and more entertaining to see our regulars ... participate."

Lauren Coble | Manager

few too many drinks. [I] ended up going to the bathroom with the microphone and finishing my song in there, while using the rest room," said Jessie Rose, senior.

Rose is just one of the many students who admit to loving the spotlight and would be happy to take the stage again. She said she has loved singing karaoke since her junior year of high school at prom when she sang Madonna's "Like A Virgin," something her mother didn't really approve of.

Scott Shriver, a University alumnus recalls times where he would go to karaoke bars every Thursday night.

"We had a pretty regular schedule of singing and drinking, as well as some lame groupies," Shriver said. He added it didn't take a lot of convincing because he had friends with him that were willing to do it as well, and he never suffered from stage fright but once he did get booed after one certain performance.

Holly Blinn, junior, said, "Drinks aren't necessary, but they can definitely make a performance more entertaining."

Buffalo Wild Wings' General Manager, Matt Watruba, said even with the small following, it was always a blast when karaoke night rolled around.

Students have the opportunity to walk on stage with a microphone in hand and give justice to songs such as "Barbie Girl" and Spice Girl's "Wannabe" on karaoke night.

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## Hendrix: an artist impossible to impersonate

By Kyle Schmidlin  
Pulse Reporter

With probably the smallest recorded output of any artist likely to make a column like this, it may seem as though he is an artist undeserving of company with The Beatles and Miles Davis. But it is precisely for this reason that '60s counterculture icon Jimi Hendrix is the only reasonable choice for the third Influential Artist column.

Like no other guitarist before or since, Hendrix's instrument was wholly indistinct from Hendrix's personality. To call his guitar an extension of his body is to constrain it to the realm of the physical and deny the incredible spirituality of his performance. So remarkable was his departure from "academic" guitar playing that he has left every other of the millions who have tried copying him scratching their heads,



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wondering exactly what it was Hendrix was doing.

As Nicolo Paganini was to violin and John Coltrane to saxophone, Jimi Hendrix did things with his guitar that were beyond

human. Conventional means of expressing music, such as standard notation, are absolutely meaningless to the playing of Hendrix — simply put, if you aren't Jimi himself, you can't begin to play like him.

Reportedly, his only failing grade in school one year was in music class. Acquiring his first actual guitar at age 15, Hendrix started out strumming a broomstick in imitation of his idols and playing a one-stringed ukulele pulled from a mess in his garage. Remarkably, he is said to have been able to play tunes on this one string, a trait he shares with the aforementioned virtuoso Paganini.

In 1966, Hendrix, having worked as a session musician for various artists from Ike and Tina Turner to Little Richard (who reportedly booted Hendrix from the band, strangely, for being more outrageous than the

band leader himself), journeyed to Europe where he finally formed a band of his own: The Jimi Hendrix Experience. With drummer Mitch Mitchell and bassist Noel Redding, Hendrix was ready to return to the shores of his homeland and take it by storm.

Here it was — a gypsy who was part African American, part Cherokee, draped in a bizarre assortment of scarves, bell bottoms, headbands and Native American-inspired blouses, tripping on LSD and not so much playing his guitar as making love to it before captivated white upper-middle class audiences. The cultural impact of Hendrix's breakthrough is one of the most important moments in modern American history.

And the music kept to par with

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## Local 'hot rock' band performs at benefit concert

By Sarah Rutz  
Pulse Reporter



This weekend seems to be the weekend to go out and support a cause through music. In addition to the Relay for Life show tonight at the Perry Field House, tomorrow night at Howard's Club H, a benefit concert will be held to support research for muscular dystrophy. All local bands will be performing, and the Junk, a band that calls Bowling Green home, will be there to help support the cause.

The muscular dystrophy benefit concert starts at 9 p.m. tomorrow night at Howard's.

"We're always excited to support a good cause," Hensley says of the show.

It gives the band a chance to participate actively in a worthy cause, but it's also good because it's something they can have fun

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he will actually get the information."

Communicating with troops overseas depends on how busy they are and how full their base is at the moment.

"Some weeks it's about every other day and sometimes it's only about once a week," Banyash said. "I used to be able to talk to him for about 30 minutes each time he called, however, now there are more people on his base so we only get to talk for about 10-15 minutes each call."

Banyash is hopeful Ensley will return in time for the holidays, however he may be returning to either Iraq or Afghanistan in May of 2009. Exact dates aren't given for security reasons, but according to Banyash's experience with the Army, they are always running a little bit behind the projected dates.

When Ensley returns, he and Banyash plan on spending time seeing family and friends and hopefully going on a tropical vacation.

"The last few months go by the slowest, but I am very excited for him to be home," Banyash said.

There are many troops here in the United States that are not overseas, but are training to someday go to Iraq.

Coping with the idea of having your loved one leave our country and go somewhere unknown and unsafe can be very difficult, but keeping a positive attitude, like junior Brittany Sipan, is very helpful and allows her to breathe a little easier at night.

Sipan's boyfriend, Richard Robinson, is a member of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC).

ROTC is a college-based program designed as a college elective focusing on leadership development, problem solving, strategic planning and professional ethics. The ROTC produces officers in all branches of the U.S. Armed Forces except the U.S. Coast Guard.

Sipan and Robinson have been dating for more than a year, and it took some time for Sipan to get used to her boyfriend's ROTC lifestyle.

"When we started dating it was difficult for me to get used to him being in ROTC, because he was always very busy," Sipan said. "However, understanding is something that being an Army girlfriend entails. You have to be willing to understand that maybe he needs to go away for a weekend activity for ROTC and that this is what needs to happen whether I like it or not."

With Robinson's current situation in the Army National Guard, there are orders that his unit will be shipping out in December of 2009, which is something Sipan is worried about.

"As a close outsider, the last thing you want to see is your loved one go somewhere that may put him in danger for a long period of time," Sipan said. "But I must be strong and I must be supportive because this is the life that he chose and I chose to be a part of."

If and when Robinson goes overseas, Sipan plans to continue on with her life here.

"I cannot dwell on things that

I cannot control," Sipan said. "I will keep in contact with him whenever I possibly can but I must not stop my life just because his life is moving in a different direction for a little while."

Sipan's greatest fear is he will go away, something will go wrong and he will never return home. She also worries about the possibility of him getting seriously injured which could drastically change his life.

"It would be very hard for me and it would devastate me if something terrible happened to him in that manner," Sipan said. "My hope is he will not be done with training by then and might not have to go. It would put less stress on him, me and his whole family."

Since Sipan met and started dating Robinson, her outlook on the war has changed. She is very positive about her role as a military girlfriend.

"I never thought badly of the war, but now that he must be a part of it, it makes me think twice about liking the war," she said. "All I can do though is go with the flow, be the best girlfriend I can be and make sure everything is here for him when he comes back because that is what love is all about."

We may not know exactly what is going on overseas, but one thing is for sure: the troops have many supporters and loving family members who are awaiting their return here in the United States.

All we can hope for is the best for our troops and for their loved ones who are here worrying about them and loving them unconditionally.

## THE JUNK

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doing while raising awareness.

The Junk is made up of five members: James Hensley and Kerry Tuttle (guitars and vocals), Mohom Mulholland (guitar), Blaine Smead (bass) and Derek Wright (drums). They've all known each other for about 11 years, with three of the members having gone to school together.

Even though they've been together for so long, the band hasn't always been known as the Junk. Originally, several of the members were part of different, semi-successful bands, and after a few lineup changes, in 2007 they officially became the band they are today.

The type of music they play is what Tuttle calls "hot rock"

— "three rock guitars, a pounding rhythm section and pretty vocals." They're influenced by artists such as Mike Patton of Faith No More, Freddy Mercury and Jimi Hendrix. Hensley and Tuttle are the two main lyricists of the band, but they both write differently. Hensley says he prefers to create a situation and take it from there, while Tuttle says his writing is influenced by the events going on around him, including things like politics and history.

As of now it is hard for fans to get a hold of the Junk's music, but there are other avenues to hear the band.

"We just started recording songs for an album hopefully [to be] released in a year," Hensley says, but for now, they're just touring and playing at their favorite venue — Howard's.

"There are very few bars in

the area that support local music like them, thanks to Shakin' Promotions and Alex Kish for taking over the booking," Tuttle said.

Shakin' Promotions is responsible for a good portion of the flyers students see around campus, advertising events that will be at Howard's and other local venues in the near future.

If you can't make it out to the benefit tomorrow night, Tuttle says they are on the "Howard's Holiday Tour" — that is, they'll be performing at Howard's on Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Eve, giving people ample opportunity to get out there and hear what they have to play. People can also check out the Junk at their MySpace, [www.myspace.com/feelthejunk](http://www.myspace.com/feelthejunk), where the band has songs to listen to and dates of everywhere they're playing.

## HENDRIX

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the over-the-top live show, attire, personality, and guitar playing style. Take one listen to "Voodoo Child (Slight Return)" from the 1968 album "Electric Ladyland" and hear music that is cocksure, dangerous and probably illegal in most parts of the world. Forty years later, nothing has come near it in terms of raw energy and unrestrained chaos.

Followup "Voodoo Child" with Hendrix's most effecting ballad, "Little Wing." Appearing on the most crucial Hendrix album, 1967's "Axis: Bold as Love," it is a sentimental piece of only about two and a half minutes. Anyone unmoved at the weeping, pained intro, Hendrix's delicate, sincere vocal delivery and lead playing which ascends beyond Heaven, needn't bother checking their pulse — they don't have one.

Perhaps Hendrix's most famous song is his cover of the Bob Dylan classic, "All Along the Watchtower," appearing on "Electric Ladyland." Featuring Traffic's Dave Mason (who would later go on to record his own, and perhaps the best, version of the song) on acoustic guitar, the song was a potent mix of angst and beauty, and Hendrix's playing seemed to somehow capture the very essence of the song, as though he was reaching out to the world from behind a prison of his own. So powerful was this version, in fact, that Dylan himself now plays the song in Jimi's style, saying quote "I liked Jimi Hendrix's record of this and ever since he died I've been doing it that way ... Strange how when I sing it, I always feel it's a tribute to him in some kind of way."

Songs like "Highway Chile," "Stone Free," "Purple Haze" and "Foxy Lady" will forever be embedded into the minds

of post-cultural revolution America. Nobody else in such a short span of time managed to shatter every boundary that existed and change forever the consciousness of an entire nation.

America is still reeling, and Jimi's contribution to the breakdown of social barriers will be as substantial a part of his legacy as the incredible music and highly experimental and innovative forms of guitar amplification and playing. Leaving millions of hopeless imitators in his wake, the only thing guaranteed to remain certain about Jimi Hendrix is that there can only be one.

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**"Are You Experienced" (1967, MCA)**  
**"Axis: Bold as Love" (1967, MCA)**  
**"Electric Ladyland" (1968, MCA)**



## Film redeems foul nature with sentimental value

By Aaron Helfferich  
Film Critic

Not all comedies have the ability to be meaningful or heartfelt as they meander through their attack plan of jokes. In its conception, "Role Models" wasn't setting itself up for this reasonable success. As the comedy starring two previous film icons, Stifler from "American Pie" (Sean William Scott) and McLovin from "Superbad" (Christopher Mintz-Plasse), "Role Models" seemed doomed to repeat the jokes of the past.

Much like the former films of these two comedic icons, "Role Models" centered its story around other characters. Originally, we met Wheeler (Scott) alongside his friend and co-worker, Danny (Paul Rudd). With a name that sounds like the demon child of Stifler, Wheeler is merely an adversary in a misdemeanor caused by Danny. When the two are sentenced to 150 hours of community service, they are unaware that they will find their service of mentoring kids to be much more disturbing than going to jail.

As Danny is paired with Augie Farks, its easy to see why the actor who played McLovin was chosen for the role. As the outcast kid who lives in a fantasy world of medieval fighting, Augie allows Mintz-Plasse to step out of his McLovin role without fully leaving it. Meanwhile, Wheeler had his hands full with Ronnie; a young boy who feels to have grown up fast with a vocabu-

lary of four letter words. While both Wheeler and Danny met their tiny companions with apathetic intentions, they soon found reason in attaching to the needs of the kids, especially since Danny was trying desperately to regain the trust of his girlfriend (Elizabeth Banks).

Eventually, "Role Models" was able to slowly steer away from the character personas of the past. While the film faltered with only mildly amusing jokes in the first half, the filmmakers seemed more focused on setting up for the closure. Both Scott and Mintz-Plasse were busy expending as much as they could from their career defining character personas before it was time to join Rudd in the meaningful storytelling. The film was therefore able to combine a plethora of laughs that hit home harder than the former.

"Role Models" might have started out as and remained a vile potty-mouthed comedy that insulted nearly every assumed stereotype to its finish, but it's culmination was welcomed with a heartwarming finale that didn't forget to involve each of its rewarding characters.

Letter Grade: B  
 Rated R for crude and sexual content, strong language and nudity.  
 Runtime: 99 min.  
 Starring: Seann William Scott, Paul Rudd, Christopher Mintz-Plasse, and Elizabeth Banks  
 Directed by David Wain

## ALBUM REVIEW



■ Lady GaGa  
 ■ Grade: B-

### "THE FAME"

WHAT JEFF HOUNSHEL THINKS:

In simplest terms, Lady GaGa's debut album "The Fame" is really a musical experiment in theater, fun and frivolity.

Lady GaGa, whose childhood idols not surprisingly include Madonna and Cyndi Lauper, has managed to create an album of interesting, if not question-inducing songs, perfectly suited for the dance floor. And depending on the listener's tastes, this could be a good or a bad thing.

What is notable about the album or its flair for drama. It's hard to take almost anything about it seriously — especially in the song "LoveGame," where she declares that she wants to "take a ride on your disco stick." Lyrically topics range from being too drunk to do anything but dance in "Just Dance," to being addicted to lying as the rich and famous in the title track to playing hard to get in "Poker Face." It's almost as if she has created the perfect soundtrack to the life of Paris Hilton.

While "Just Dance" has enjoyed worldwide chart success, it's hard to determine the best tracks from weaker tracks. Almost all of the songs are instantly catchy, but what sticks out from the rest is "Brown Eyes," the lone ballad in which she describes how she has to leave a relationship. Although it's lost in a sea of fast-paced dance tracks, the song perhaps offers a glimpse of a serious, contemplative Lady GaGa.

"The Fame" despite being full of content, works for the most part thanks to Lady GaGa's attitude and willingness to be completely and utterly out there. After all in a world with war and economic crises, it might be nice to escape for awhile.

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## WHAT TO DO

### IN TOWN

#### Howard's Benefit Concert

Tomorrow at 9 p.m. at Howard's Club H, bartender Charlie Tuna will host a concert to benefit children with muscular dystrophy. Come out and help the kids!



#### Sounds of the Stadium

Today at 8 p.m. in Kobacker Hall, the University's Falcon Marching Band will perform their annual "Sounds of the Stadium" concert, featuring half-time show selections from home football games.

### TOLEDO

#### Oliver!

This weekend at the Stranahan Theatre, see the musical based loosely on Charles Dickens' novel "Oliver Twist," about one boy's quest for love and belonging as he journeys from a ruthless orphanage to a group of pickpockets.



#### Art with a Heart

Tomorrow from 10 a.m. - 9 p.m. at the Trinity Episcopal Church, start shopping for the holidays with over 30 local vendors. A portion of every sale will benefit Emanuel Children's Home in Honduras.

### ELSEWHERE

#### Cleveland

This weekend at the International Exposition Center, attend the Fabulous Food Show featuring appearances from Food Network stars such as Michael Symon, Paula Deen and Guy Fieri. Other features include demonstrations, sampling and live music. Tickets are available at ticketmaster.com.

Make sure to check out bgnews.com for the theatre review of "Five by Ives," and the movie review of "Madagascar 2."

## THEY SAID IT

"I try to believe like I believed when I was five ... when your heart tells you everything you need to know."

—Lucy Liu

# Their hearts belong to soldiers

By Laura Lee Caracciolo  
Pulse Reporter

We all know there is a war going on in Iraq. We also know that it involves troops from our country, and what they go through on a day-to-day basis is both serious and dangerous.

However, what some of us don't know is how it feels to have a loved one overseas and the toll it can take on the ones left behind.

Some students at the University have boyfriends, friends and family members overseas and have to live one day at a time while worrying about what could happen to their loved ones.

Junior Katy Banyash's boyfriend, Eric Ensley, is a specialist and team leader of his truck and crew in Camp Ramadi which is located 60 miles west of Baghdad.

Ensley started his deployment training the first week of January and left for Iraq in March.

"He can tell me how things are going in general, but the details are very limited for security reasons," Banyash said. "Although sometimes I'm not sure if he is not allowed to tell me details or if he just doesn't want me to hear everything."

Banyash has been going through the struggles of missing an important person in her life. Not being able to share simple day-to-day thoughts with Ensley is difficult on her.

"It's hard doing things alone that I would normally do with him," Banyash said. "It's also hard not being able to reach him. I can't call him when I think of something to tell him or when I need to ask him something. I can e-mail him, but I never know when



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## Belting and butchering tunes makes for popular student pastime

By Matt Liasse  
Pulse Reporter

The songs "American Pie," "I Will Survive," "Love Shack," "Friends In Low Places," "With Arms Wide Open," "Hotel California," "Baby Got Back," "The Devil Went Down To Georgia" and "Total Eclipse of the Heart" has one thing in common; associated content.com have deemed them the worst karaoke songs ever.

Mix a microphone, a stage, a screen with lyrics, flat notes, a bar full of people and a few drinks, and it may be an equation for a disaster; but in fact, many students in BG tend to participate in just that in the many venues off campus hosting karaoke nights.

Many of the restaurants off campus designate one night for students ready to embarrass themselves at a hand in karaoke. Such restaurants as Grumpy Dave's, Buffalo Wild Wings, Campus Quarters, Nate And Wally's and Rev. Chico's have all opened the doors for students and surrounding residents to try their hand in some unrehearsed butchering of a song.

"It's hilarious and more entertaining to see our regulars and customers participate," said manager, Lauren Coble, who works at Campus Quarters, who used to host a karaoke night on Thursdays. She said about 80 percent of the participants would be college students and she saw many packed nights while working at the bar. Campus Quarters is in talks to bring karaoke night back for spring semester.

Many students have been open to creating nights full of excitement and hilarious stories to tell the next morning.

"Last year at Chico's, I was singing '... Baby One More Time' by Britney Spears and I had a

"It's hilarious and more entertaining to see our regulars ... participate."

Lauren Coble | Manager

few too many drinks. [I] ended up going to the bathroom with the microphone and finishing my song in there, while using the rest room," said Jessie Rose, senior.

Rose is just one of the many students who admit to loving the spotlight and would be happy to take the stage again. She said she has loved singing karaoke since her junior year of high school at prom when she sang Madonna's "Like A Virgin," something her mother didn't really approve of.

Scott Shriver, a University alumnus recalls times where he would go to karaoke bars every Thursday night.

"We had a pretty regular schedule of singing and drinking, as well as some lame groupies," Shriver said. He added it didn't take a lot of convincing because he had friends with him that were willing to do it as well, and he never suffered from stage fright but once he did get booed after one certain performance.

Holly Blinn, junior, said, "Drinks aren't necessary, but they can definitely make a performance more entertaining."

Buffalo Wild Wings' General Manager, Matt Watruba, said even with the small following, it was always a blast when karaoke night rolled around.

Students have the opportunity to walk on stage with a microphone in hand and give justice to songs such as "Barbie Girl" and Spice Girl's "Wannabe" on karaoke night.

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## Hendrix: an artist impossible to impersonate

By Kyle Schmidlin  
Pulse Reporter

With probably the smallest recorded output of any artist likely to make a column like this, it may seem as though he is an artist undeserving of company with The Beatles and Miles Davis. But it is precisely for this reason that '60s counterculture icon Jimi Hendrix is the only reasonable choice for the third Influential Artist column.

Like no other guitarist before or since, Hendrix's instrument was wholly indistinct from Hendrix's personality. To call his guitar an extension of his body is to constrain it to the realm of the physical and deny the incredible spirituality of his performance. So remarkable was his departure from "academic" guitar playing that he has left every other of the millions who have tried copying him scratching their heads,



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wondering exactly what it was Hendrix was doing.

As Nicolo Paganini was to violin and John Coltrane to saxophone, Jimi Hendrix did things with his guitar that were beyond

human. Conventional means of expressing music, such as standard notation, are absolutely meaningless to the playing of Hendrix — simply put, if you aren't Jimi himself, you can't begin to play like him.

Reportedly, his only failing grade in school one year was in music class. Acquiring his first actual guitar at age 15, Hendrix started out strumming a broomstick in imitation of his idols and playing a one-stringed ukulele pulled from a mess in his garage. Remarkably, he is said to have been able to play tunes on this one string, a trait he shares with the aforementioned virtuoso Paganini.

In 1966, Hendrix, having worked as a session musician for various artists from Ike and Tina Turner to Little Richard (who reportedly booted Hendrix from the band, strangely, for being more outrageous than the

band leader himself), journeyed to Europe where he finally formed a band of his own: The Jimi Hendrix Experience. With drummer Mitch Mitchell and bassist Noel Redding, Hendrix was ready to return to the shores of his homeland and take it by storm.

Here it was — a gypsy who was part African American, part Cherokee, draped in a bizarre assortment of scarves, bell bottoms, headbands and Native American-inspired blouses, tripping on LSD and not so much playing his guitar as making love to it before captivated white upper-middle class audiences. The cultural impact of Hendrix's breakthrough is one of the most important moments in modern American history.

And the music kept to par with

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## Local 'hot rock' band performs at benefit concert

By Sarah Rutz  
Pulse Reporter



This weekend seems to be the weekend to go out and support a cause through music. In addition to the Relay for Life show tonight at the Perry Field House, tomorrow night at Howard's Club H, a benefit concert will be held to support research for muscular dystrophy. All local bands will be performing, and the Junk, a band that calls Bowling Green home, will be there to help support the cause.

The muscular dystrophy benefit concert starts at 9 p.m. tomorrow night at Howard's.

"We're always excited to support a good cause," Hensley says of the show.


It gives the band a chance to participate actively in a worthy cause, but it's also good because it's something they can have fun

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### Women will launch new season at Temple tonight

When you're picked to finish first in the Mid-American Conference before the season starts, everybody else is gunning for you.

This will be the case for the BG women's basketball team this season. Luckily, the Falcons have the talent to ward off their many challengers.

Tonight at 7 p.m. in Philadelphia, the Falcons will tip off the 2008-09 season at Temple, a team that's not a part of the MAC, but will still be equally fired up to play.

The Owls are under new management, with first-year head coach Tonya Cardoza bringing her experience and winning mentality over from UCONN, where she'd spent the last 14 years under coaching great Geno Auriemma.

BG head coach Curt Miller admitted tonight's

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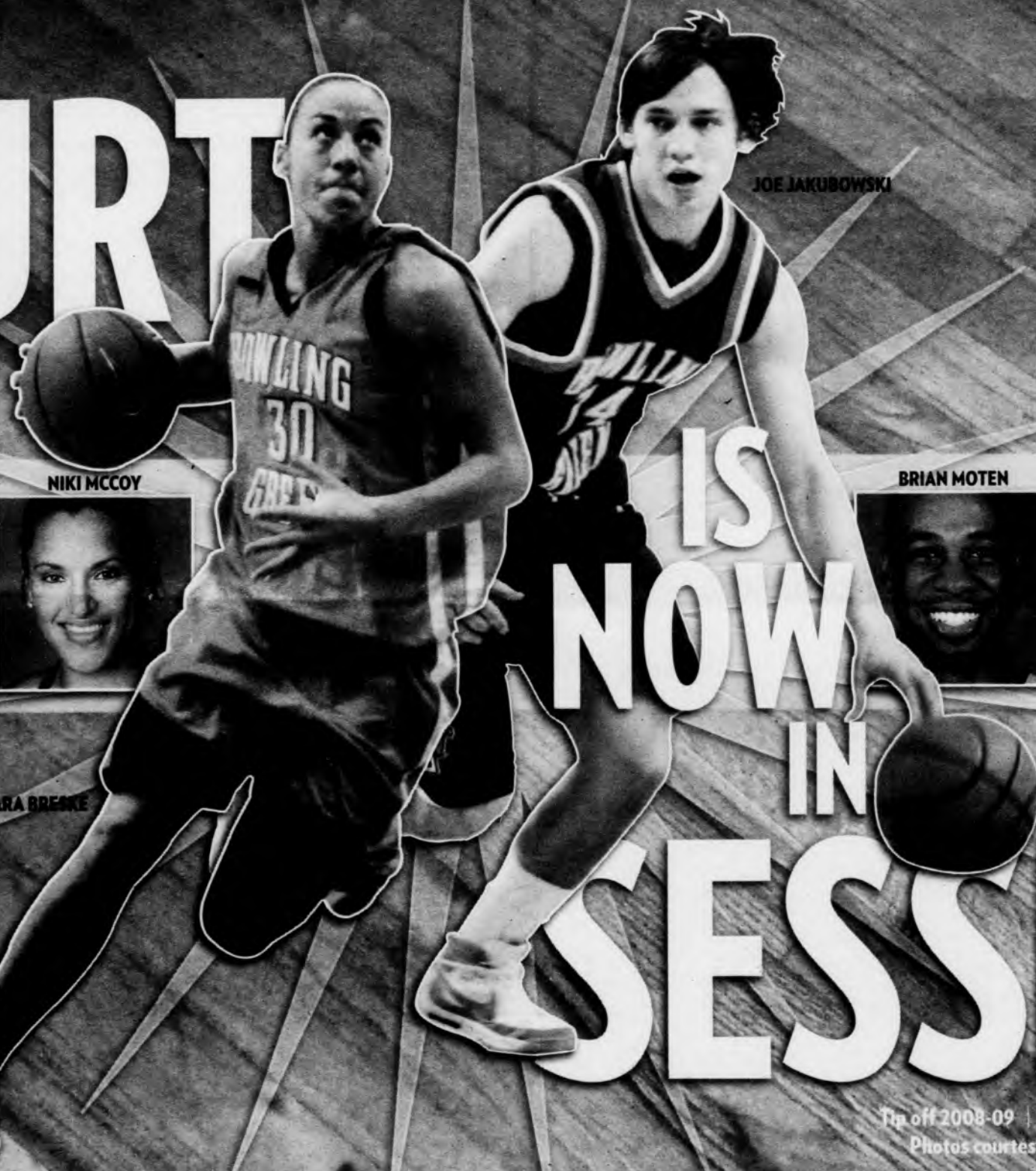
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### Shorthanded men's team to tip off at NABC Classic

While the regular season kicks off tonight for the Falcon men's basketball team, there's a bit of an unofficial feeling surrounding it.

That feeling could be due to the fact the team will be without three of its most important pieces for this weekend's NABC Classic at the University of Minnesota.

Starters Nate Miller and Chris Knight, along with reserve Cameron Madlock, will not travel with the team after being suspended for this weekend's games for violating various team rules during the offseason.

According to head coach Louis Orr, the issues were handled internally and there are no lingering problems.

"I believe they've learned from their poor

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Tip off 2008-09 | Stories by Chris Voloschuk, Sports Editor  
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# Men's soccer shut out of MAC Tourney in first round by Northern Illinois, 2-0

By Jason Jones  
Reporter

The men's soccer season came to a predictable ending yesterday after a Mid-American Conference Tournament quarterfinal game with Northern Illinois ended in a 2-0 win for the Huskies.

The loss marks the second straight year that NIU has sent the Falcons home in the tournament's opening round. It was also the second time the Falcons lost to the Huskies, the first loss coming in mid-October, by a score of 1-0.

"We're making sure we're mentally prepared. We want to be there the entire weekend," head coach Fred Thompson said on Wednesday.

That's what the Falcons hoped would happen, but like so many other things this season, it never came to fruition.

NIU's first goal came in the 29th minute when a set kick turned into a loose ball in front of the net,

where an NIU player knocked it past BG goalie Paul Shoemaker to give the Huskies the early lead.

The second goal came in the 53rd minute when NIU Danny Lopez connected on a shot from just six yards away.

The loss is the end of an incredibly disappointing season for the Falcons.

After showing improvement late in the season a year ago, and adding new talent to the team, the Falcons had all the makings of a team ready to turn things around. Instead, almost everything didn't go as planned.

It all started with the offense. The offense was the team's Achilles heel last season and needed to be addressed in the offseason. Before the start of this season Thompson and assistant coach Ken White were confident that their offense was ready to turn things around. That never happened.

Jacob Lawrence, the team's middle defenseman, led the team in goals up until the final week of



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the season when Chuko Ewuaraye finally surpassed him. For a large part of the season, the team's defenseman had more goals than the players on offense.

The darkest part of the year came in a four-game stretch where the Falcons weren't able to score a single goal and were outscored 8-0.

Then there was Vuk Krkeljic, the freshman from Serbia. Everyone had high hopes for the newcomer at the beginning of the season, but by midseason, they had seemed to have given up on him.

In August and September Krkeljic was an everyday starter with a mas-

sive amount of potential.

"We see him scoring a lot of goals," White said.

Instead, Krkeljic struggled into mid-October, then was benched and saw time sparingly the rest of the way. He finished the season without a goal or assist, and continues to be a work in progress.

Then there was the goalie situation. Paul Shoemaker was named the starter for the season opener against South Florida, and remained the starter until late

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## BG Netters to host Akron, Buffalo in season finale

By Sean Shapiro  
Reporter

The regular season finally comes to an end this weekend when BG hosts Akron and Buffalo in the final weekend of MAC regular season play.

Tonight the Falcons host Akron who enters the match needing a win to secure a home match in the first round of the MAC tournament. Earlier this season the teams met in Akron and BG prevailed in five sets.

In the match Akron jumped out to an early lead only to see the Falcons storm back and eventually dominate the match in the fifth set.

"Buffalo and Akron are must wins for us, and it's really important for me because I

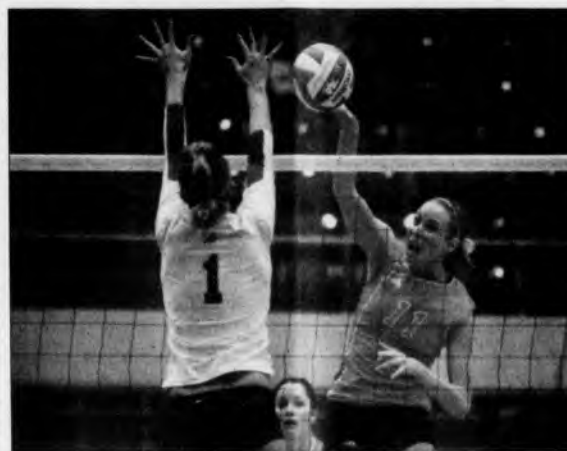
missed that weekend with the death of my dad. So I haven't seen Buffalo and Akron live," head coach Denise Van De Walle said.

Last weekend the Zips were led by junior Brianna Patterson who recorded 28 kills as they swept away Buffalo and got the programs first ever win over Ball State.

Saturday BG will honor its trio of seniors as they host Buffalo in Anderson Arena, most likely the last volleyball match to be played on Bowling Green's campus this season.

"We play really well at home with our surroundings, we just have to keep in mind the

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JUSTIN KLEIN | THE BG NEWS

**HOME STRETCH:** Kendra Halm (right) and the BG volleyball team are looking to end the regular season on a high note this weekend.

## NABC

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decisions — I know they have," Orr said. "They're going to miss traveling and we're going to miss having them. But it's a life lesson learned and we're just going to have to move on from it."

Despite not being eligible to play the first three games of the year, Miller, Knight and Madlock have continued to help the rest of the team in practices and get them ready for the competition they'll face in Minneapolis.

"I commend Chris, Nate and Cameron, because they really helped prepare us for this trip. They've been great in practice," Orr said. "This has to be a team effort, including them. Even though they're not traveling, they can help make us better and help prepare us."

While Miller and Knight are the team's two top scorers from last year, there are players suiting up tonight that can put the ball in the basket. These players include reigning MAC Sixth Man of the Year Brian Moten and guards Darryl Clements and Joe Jakubowski.

The Falcons will only have three post players to rotate, but all three can play. Otis Polk, Marc Larson and Erik Marshall will all see plenty of playing time.

Marschall hasn't played since very early last season due to injuries.

"From watching tape, I had a feeling [Marschall] was probably, of our big guys, the most offensively skilled player of the group," Orr said. "He's a hard worker and I believe he's a guy who loves to play and really wants to play."

In their opening match up in the NABC, the shorthanded Falcons will square off with Georgia State, which finished last season with a 9-21 record. Tomorrow, they'll face Classic host Minnesota. They'll wrap up the event Sunday with a match up against Div. II Concordia State.

Since the team is playing three games in three days, game planning has been difficult to do. According to Orr, one coach has been assigned to scout each opponent. The goal has been to find parts of each team's style of play that are similar so the team could practice for all of them at once.

"They'll be three quality games," Orr said. "Really, it's aggressive teams who have really good athletes. [They're] really strong defensive teams. It's early, but they'll be as competitive as any teams we play this early in the year. It'll speak a lot to our endurance and to our depth right now. It's an opportunity for us to grow."

Tip off for tonight's game is scheduled for 6 p.m.

## TEMPLE

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game won't be easy by any stretch, and said the Temple players will be very excited to play for the new coach.

"Temple's going to have that cannon effect. They're going to want to play outstanding for their brand new head coach," Miller said. "It's their first game to show [Cardoza] what they're all about."

The toughest part of the game for the Falcons may be the fact they don't really know what Cardoza might throw at them.

"We have no idea what Temple's going to do, both offensively and defensively," Miller said. "We're at a huge disadvantage going into this first game. But that's the kind of adversity you want to put a young team through, because hopefully by January, that adversity you face will only help you."

For the second year in a row, the Falcons can be considered a young team. Forward Lindsey Goldsberry is the team's only senior. Still, there's something to be said for a group that won 26 games a year ago and won the MAC regular season title.

They're returning three of their five starters from last

"We have no idea what Temple's going to do, both offensively and defensively."

Curt Miller | Coach

year, including top scorer and rebounder Lauren Prochaska. Forward Jen Uhl, who provided a spark off the bench all last season, is also back. Miller will use multiple players at the point guard position including Tracy Pontius and transfer Niki McCoy. Center Tara Breske will once again anchor the post.

Although they're youthful, BG will be a tough out in the season opener. Miller's excited for the tough task that awaits in Philadelphia.

"We're excited about the challenge," Miller said. "Can we rebound with Temple? Can we compete with them physically? Can we handle their team speed? All those are challenges that are going to be a test [tonight]. If we can prove to ourselves that we can have some success, I think it bodes well by the time January comes around."

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## Northern Michigan to face off with Falcons this weekend

By Ethan Magoc  
Reporter

When the 2008-09 hockey schedule came out, Northern Michigan coaches, players and fans must have had one thought.

"Oh no...not again."

For the second straight season, the Wildcats have opened their season against some of the best teams that the conference, and the nation, has to offer. They began last season with a 0-6 record in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association by dropping games to Michigan, Michigan State and Miami.

This year's schedule has not treated Northern much better so far. The school holds a 1-4-1 record after again opening with Michigan and Michigan State, and then being swept by Notre Dame last weekend.

"Last year, they played eight games against top 10 teams, and it's much the same this year," said BG coach Scott Paluch, whose team faces Northern tonight and tomorrow night at the BGSU Ice Arena.

The Wildcats have not lost a conference game yet this year by more than a two-goal margin, which means Paluch and his players can expect an extremely close series.

BG doesn't have quite as favorable of a position as they did when Northern came to town in November of 2007.

The Falcons carried a 5-2-0 overall record and a four-game winning streak at this point in 2007, but are currently 3-5-2 and haven't won since Halloween.

And with a Northern team



CHRISTINA MCGINNIS | THE BG NEWS

**THE BAROMETER:** This weekend's games could be an indicator of how the rest of the season will pan out for the Falcon hockey team.

that is currently desperate for wins, BG can't expect the road back to .500 to be very easy.

"They're a good team, they were picked high, and they have a lot of good players," Paluch said. "Last year, they had the best record in our league over the second half of the year."

After that lackluster start in 2007-08, Northern went on to capture third place in the CCHA Tournament with a win over Notre Dame, who eventually became the second-best team in the nation.

Northern's conference stats are extremely similar to BG's, as both teams have scored 11 goals and allowed 16, which is yet another reason this weekend's

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## Shorthanded men's team to tip off at NABC Classic

While the regular season kicks off tonight for the Falcon men's basketball team, there's a bit of an unofficial feeling surrounding it.

That feeling could be due to the fact the team will be without three of its most important pieces for this weekend's NABC Classic at the University of Maryland.

Seniors Nate Miller and Chris Knight, along with sophomore Cameron Madlock, will not travel with the team, having been suspended for this weekend's game for violating various team rules during the season.

Head coach Louis Orr, the team's veteran leader, says the team is ready and there are no lingering doubts.

"I believe they've learned from their poor

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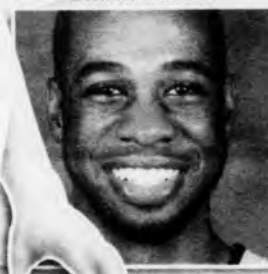


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## Women will launch new season at Temple tonight

When you're picked to finish first in the Mid-American Conference before the season starts, everybody else is gunning for you.

This will be the case for the BG women's basketball team this season. Luckily, the Falcons have the talent to ward off their many challengers.

Tonight at 7 p.m. in Philadelphia, the Falcons will tip off the 2008-09 season at Temple, a team that's not a part of the MAC, but will still be equally fired up to play.

The Owls are under new management, with first-year head coach Tonya Cardoza bringing her experience and winning mentality over from UCONN, where she'd spent the last 14 years under coaching great Geno Auriemma.

BG head coach Curt Miller admitted tonight's

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Tip off 2008-09 | Stories by Chris Jones, Sports Editor  
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# Men's soccer shut out of MAC Tourney in first round by Northern Illinois, 2-0

By Jason Jones  
Reporter

The men's soccer season came to a predictable ending yesterday after a Mid-American Conference Tournament quarterfinal game with Northern Illinois ended in a 2-0 win for the Huskies.

The loss marks the second straight year that NIU has sent the Falcons home in the tournament's opening round. It was also the second time the Falcons lost to the Huskies, the first loss coming in mid-October, by a score of 1-0.

"We're making sure we're mentally prepared. We want to be there the entire weekend," head coach Fred Thompson said on Wednesday.

That's what the Falcons hoped would happen, but like so many other things this season, it never came to fruition.

NIU's first goal came in the 29th minute when a set kick turned into a loose ball in front of the net,

where an NIU player knocked it past BG goalie Paul Shoemaker to give the Huskies the early lead.

The second goal came in the 53rd minute when NIU Danny Lopez connected on a shot from just six yards away.

The loss is the end of an incredibly disappointing season for the Falcons.

After showing improvement late in the season a year ago, and adding new talent to the team, the Falcons had all the makings of a team ready to turn things around. Instead, almost everything didn't go as planned.

It all started with the offense. The offense was the team's Achilles heel last season and needed to be addressed in the offseason. Before the start of this season Thompson and assistant coach Ken White were confident that their offense was ready to turn things around. That never happened.

Jacob Lawrence, the team's middle defenseman, led the team in goals up until the final week of



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the season when Chuko Ewaraye finally surpassed him. For a large part of the season, the team's defense had more goals than the players on offense.

The darkest part of the year came in a four-game stretch where the Falcons weren't able to score a single goal and were outscored 8-0.

Then there was Vuk Krkeljic, the freshman from Serbia. Everyone had high hopes for the newcomer at the beginning of the season, but by midseason, they had seemed to have given up on him.

In August and September Krkeljic was an everyday starter with a mas-

sive amount of potential.

"We see him scoring a lot of goals," White said.

Instead, Krkeljic struggled into mid-October, then was benched and saw time sparingly the rest of the way. He finished the season without a goal or assist, and continues to be a work in progress.

Then there was the goalie situation. Paul Shoemaker was named the starter for the season opener against South Florida, and remained the starter until late

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## BG Netters to host Akron, Buffalo in season finale

By Sean Shapiro  
Reporter

The regular season finally comes to an end this weekend when BG hosts Akron and Buffalo in the final weekend of MAC regular season play.

Tonight the Falcons host Akron who enters the match needing a win to secure a home match in the first round of the MAC tournament. Earlier this season the teams met in Akron and BG prevailed in five sets.

In the match Akron jumped out to an early lead only to see the Falcons storm back and eventually dominate the match in the fifth set.

"Buffalo and Akron are must wins for us, and it's really important for me because I

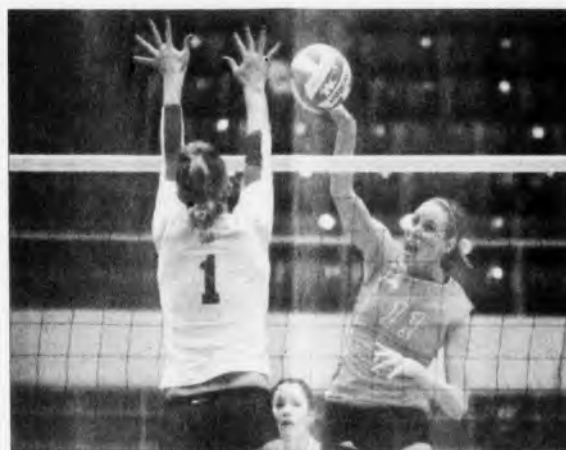
missed that weekend with the death of my dad. So I haven't seen Buffalo and Akron live," head coach Denise Van De Walle said.

Last weekend the Zips were led by junior Brianna Patterson who recorded 28 kills as they swept away Buffalo and got the programs first ever win over Ball State.

Saturday BG will honor its trio of seniors as they host Buffalo in Anderson Arena, most likely the last volleyball match to be played on Bowling Green's campus this season.

"We play really well at home with our surroundings, we just have to keep in mind the

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**HOME STRETCH:** Kendra Hahn (right) and BG volleyball team are looking to end the regular season on a high note this weekend.

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decisions — I know they have," Orr said. "They're going to miss traveling and we're going to miss having them. But it's a life lesson learned and we're just going to have to move on from it."

Despite not being eligible to play the first three games of the year, Miller, Knight and Madlock have continued to help the rest of the team in practices and get them ready for the competition they'll face in Minneapolis.

"I commend Chris, Nate and Cameron, because they really helped prepare us for this trip. They've been great in practice," Orr said. "This has to be a team effort, including them. Even though they're not traveling, they can help make us better and help prepare us."

While Miller and Knight are the team's two top scorers from last year, there are players suiting up tonight that can put the ball in the basket. These players include reigning MAC Sixth Man of the Year Brian Moten and guards Darryl Clements and Joe Jakubowski.

The Falcons will only have three post players to rotate, but all three can play. Otis Polk, Marc Larson and Erik Marshall will all see plenty of playing time.

Marschall hasn't played since very early last season due to injuries.

"From watching tape, I had a feeling [Marschall] was probably, of our big guys, the most offensively skilled player of the group," Orr said. "He's a hard worker and I believe he's a guy who loves to play and really wants to play."

In their opening match up in the NABC, the shorthanded Falcons will square off with Georgia State, which finished last season with a 9-21 record. Tomorrow, they'll face Classic host Minnesota. They'll wrap up the event Sunday with a match up against Div. II Concordia State.

Since the team is playing three games in three days, game planning has been difficult to do. According to Orr, one coach has been assigned to scout each opponent. The goal has been to find parts of each team's style of play that are similar so the team could practice for all of them at once.

"They'll be three quality games," Orr said. "Really, it's aggressive teams who have really good athletes. [They're] really strong defensive teams. It's early, but they'll be as competitive as any teams we play this early in the year. It'll speak a lot to our endurance and to our depth right now. It's an opportunity for us to grow."

Tip off for tonight's game is scheduled for 6 p.m.

## TEMPLE

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game won't be easy by any stretch, and said the Temple players will be very excited to play for the new coach.

"Temple's going to have that cannon effect. They're going to want to play outstanding for their brand new head coach," Miller said. "It's their first game to show [Cardoza] what they're all about."

The toughest part of the game for the Falcons may be the fact they don't really know what Cardoza might throw at them.

"We have no idea what Temple's going to do, both offensively and defensively," Miller said. "We're at a huge disadvantage going into this first game. But that's the kind of adversity you want to put a young team through, because hopefully by January, that adversity you face will only help you."

For the second year in a row, the Falcons can be considered a young team. Forward Lindsey Goldsberry is the team's only senior. Still, there's something to be said for a group that won 26 games a year ago and won the MAC regular season title.

They're returning three of their five starters from last

**"We have no idea what Temple's going to do, both offensively and defensively."**

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year, including top scorer and rebounder Lauren Prochaska. Forward Jen Uhl, who provided a spark off the bench all last season, is also back. Miller will use multiple players at the point guard position including Tracy Pontius and transfer Niki McCoy. Center Tara Breske will once again anchor the post.

Although they're youthful, BG will be a tough out in the season opener. Miller's excited for the tough task that awaits in Philadelphia.

"We're excited about the challenge," Miller said. "Can we rebound with Temple? Can we compete with them physically? Can we handle their team speed? All those are challenges that are going to be a test [tonight]. If we can prove to ourselves that we can have some success, I think it bodes well by the time January comes around."

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## Northern Michigan to face off with Falcons this weekend

By Ethan Magoc  
Reporter

When the 2008-09 hockey schedule came out, Northern Michigan coaches, players and fans must have had one thought.

"Oh no...not again."

For the second straight season, the Wildcats have opened their season against some of the best teams that the conference, and the nation, has to offer. They began last season with a 0-6 record in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association by dropping games to Michigan, Michigan State and Miami.

This year's schedule has not treated Northern much better so far. The school holds a 1-4-1 record after again opening with Michigan and Michigan State, and then being swept by Notre Dame last weekend.

"Last year, they played eight games against top 10 teams, and it's much the same this year," said BG coach Scott Paluch, whose team faces Northern tonight and tomorrow night at the BGSU Ice Arena.

The Wildcats have not lost a conference game yet this year by more than a two-goal margin, which means Paluch and his players can expect an extremely close series.

BG doesn't have quite as favorable of a position as they did when Northern came to town in November of 2007.

The Falcons carried a 5-2-0 overall record and a four-game winning streak at this point in 2007, but are currently 3-5-2 and haven't won since Halloween.

And with a Northern team



CHRISTINA MCGINNIS | THE BG NEWS

**THE BAROMETER:** This weekend's games could be an indicator of how the rest of the season will pan out for the Falcon hockey team.

that is currently desperate for wins, BG can't expect the road back to .500 to be very easy.

"They're a good team, they were picked high, and they have a lot of good players," Paluch said. "Last year, they had the best record in our league over the second half of the year."

After that lackluster start in 2007-08, Northern went on to capture third place in the CCHA Tournament with a win over Notre Dame, who eventually became the second-best team in the nation.

Northern's conference stats are extremely similar to BG's, as both teams have scored 11 goals and allowed 16, which is yet another reason this weekend's

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## THE BG NEWS PICKS OF THE WEEK

It's week 12 of college football and there's only one MAC game going on tomorrow. Thanks, Tuesday and Wednesday scheduling. With no BG game to pick, we've got an eclectic mix of picks to make, and we've got the makings of a logjam at the top of the standings.

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## #24 South Carolina vs. #3 Florida

South Carolina plays good 'D', but they will absolutely get owned by the Gators.

Gators stomp on the Gamecocks.

This game really won't be close. Buckeye fans might recognize this score.

Those Gamecocks are going to leave the Swamp as Gamehens.

Florida -225

Florida 37, South Carolina 10

Florida 38, South Carolina 13

Florida 41, South Carolina 14

Florida 45, South Carolina 24

## #10 Ohio State vs. Illinois

Didn't Illinois play in a BCS game last year? What happened? The Buckeyes roll in this one.

Juice Williams was like the perfect orange juice last year for this game. This year, he's like spoiled milk.

No looking past Illinois this year. OSU gets their revenge on the Illini.

Illinois just lost to Western Michigan. Enough said.

Ohio State -95

OSU 35, Illinois 17

OSU 41, Illinois 17

OSU 28, Illinois 17

OSU 42, Illinois 35

## #16 BYU vs. Air Force

Air Force is going to bomb against BYU. God, I love plays on words involving team names!

The records of these teams make for a deceiving match up. BYU rolls large.

Air Force has a surprisingly good ground game, but BYU wins with an air attack of their own.

Polygame-winning.

BYU -55

BYU 28, Air Force 7

BYU 56, Air Force 23

BYU 41, Air Force 20

BYU 35, Air Force 14

## #17 North Carolina vs. Maryland

I love this match up during basketball season. But football season? Not so much. Heels win on the road.

The Tarheels basketball guys have finally taught the football team how to win.

Maryland has beaten three Top-25 teams already this year, but they're not beating UNC.

I had to choose an upset, and Maryland hasn't lost at home this year. I also love big turtles.

UNC -3

UNC 24, Maryland 20

UNC 30, Maryland 16

UNC 34, Maryland 28

Maryland 31, UNC 30

## #25 Tulsa vs. Houston

I want to provide the BG football team with some more motivation for the Buffalo game. Check out this score. You're welcome, guys.

If these two teams were jelly and scoring was peanut butter, they'd make a sandwich. I'll step outside now.

It's a big conference game, but Tulsa should have no problem here.

Tulsa is going to drill 'em like they did Antonio Smith in the GMAC Bowl. (I still can't believe he held onto the ball. Way to go Antonio.)

Tulsa -4

Tulsa 63, Houston 7

Houston 75, Tulsa 62

Tulsa 38, Houston 17

Tulsa 36, Houston 13

## Ohio Wesleyan vs. Allegheny

My older brother once played for the Battling Bishops, so I tend to lean towards them. Allegheny's about to ride the pain train.

I considered going to Allegheny for a week once. Had I gone there, I'd be covering a win this week.

It's Senior Day at Allegheny, so there's no way they lose!

"Look, you berzerko Barbie doll. When you mess with Spike, you mess with death."

No line available

Wesleyan 17, Allegheny 10

Allegheny 4, Wesleyan 3

Allegheny 10, Wesleyan 6

Allegheny 34, Wesleyan 17

Overall record

39-26

42-23

44-21

41-24

## SOCCER

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in the season when he was benched in favor of Brent Petkus, whom he would split time with the rest of the season.

Some questioned that decision, on the grounds a goalie shouldn't be replaced because a team can't score.

An interesting note on that, would be that before their four game scoreless streak,

Shoemaker was actually the last to score a goal.

So as a disappointing season ends, it's clear what the Falcons need to do to get ready for next season.

Their offense needs drastic improvement. Whether it is through newcomers reviving it or the continued development of young players like Krkeljic and Byard Ebling, it needs improvement.

Also, the Falcons will lose both Shoemaker and Petkus to

graduation, meaning that Jeff Smoker and Steven Topper will compete for the goalie position next season. Neither has ever seen game time in their college careers.

BG finishes the season with a disastrous record of 4-13-2, including 0-7-0 in the MAC. Thompson, who has now completed his fifth year as head coach, now has an overall record of 18-69-8.

The program has no where to go but up.

## VOLLEY

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little things we didn't do this past weekend in the hard loss to Ohio University," said senior Kendra Halm.

Buffalo enters the match with a dismal 1-13 record in the MAC with their only win coming over Kent State two weeks ago. In program history the Bulls have only beaten the Falcons once in 17 meetings and in the last meeting senior Chelsey Meek became the first Falcon in program history to reach the 2,000-dig mark.

Buffalo is led by sophomore Kristin Bignell who could become the first Bull to hit over .300 in a season since Buffalo joined the MAC over eight years ago.

After the BG-Buffalo match at 3 p.m. tomorrow the biggest MAC match of the season starts at 7 p.m. in Mount Pleasant, Mich., when Central Michigan hosts Ohio University, a match which has huge MAC tournament implications.

"That's the biggest match left in the MAC that we aren't

playing," Van De Walle said.

If BG wins both matches this weekend and Ohio wins against the Chippewas, the Bobcats will win their fifth straight MAC East division title and secure a first round bye. BG would then be the fifth seed in the tournament and most likely host Buffalo again next Thursday.

But if Central Michigan wins the match, Ohio, BG and Miami will all be tied for the top spot in the MAC East and would be crowned co-champions. Following a tiebreaker the Falcons would get the number two seed in the tournament and first round bye since they were the only team to beat top seeded Western Michigan this season.

While BG still has to handle things on their own court tomorrow coach Van De Walle will be keeping close watch on the Central Michigan-Ohio match tomorrow night.

"After we beat them [Buffalo and Akron] we definitely will be watching the match, since we play at three and we play at seven. I'm excited to see what happens," Halm said.

## HOCKEY

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games should be very tight. "These games are extremely important to us," said BG senior forward Brandon Svendsen, who was a Cedar Rapids Roughrider in his junior hockey days. "Four points could spark the squad to get a streak going and start jumping up in the standings."

Svendsen's line will be the key to the series. None of BG's other three lines have really begun to produce significant offensive numbers, while the line of Svendsen, Dan Sexton and David Solway has 32 total points already.

If the Falcons are to beat Northern's goaltender, Brian Stewart, who has just two wins but a .901 save percentage this season, they will likely need another former Roughrider to

"They're a good team, they were picked high, and they have a lot of good players."

Scott Paluch | Coach

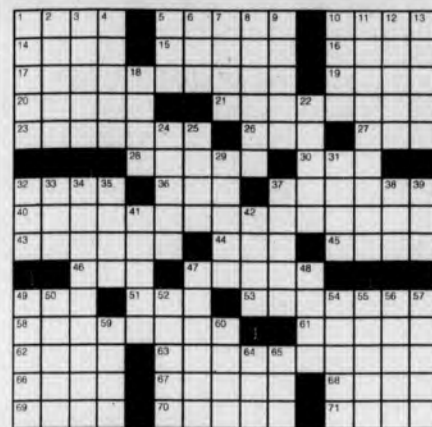
increase his production. Jacob Cepis, who played two seasons with Cedar Rapids, has one goal and two assists on 43 shots in 10 games this season.

"Brandon and Jacob are both quick players," Paluch said. "We're happy with those two guys for sure."

Paluch will probably be a lot happier this weekend if his sophomore forward can regain his 31-point freshman year form.

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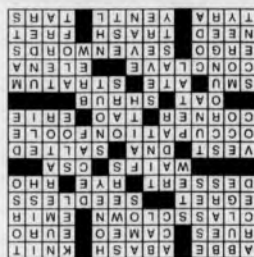
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